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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PDIP, MIA, VM, US  
SUBJECT: VIETNAMESE VISIT TO HONOLULU CIL

REF: STATE 159864

1. VIETNAMESE FIRST SECRETARY TRAN VAN LAM ASKED TO  
SEE EMBOFF AT 1000 HOURS JUNE 26. LAM SAID PERIOD OF  
JULY 10-14 IS ACCEPTABLE TO HANOI FOR THE CIL VISIT.  
VIETNAMESE ALSO AGREE TO ANNOUNCEMENT ON JUNE 27. HOW-  
EVER, HANOI WISHES TO DELETE THE SECOND SENTENCE OF  
THE TEXT CONTAINED REFTEL, AND OPENING PHRASE OF THIRD  
SENTENCE. (DELETE: QUOTE THE VISIT ORIGINALLY PLANNED  
FOR THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1978 WAS POSTPONED AT VIET-  
NAMESE REQUEST. IT HAS NOW BEEN AGREED THAT UNQUOTE.)

2. TEXT OF ANNOUNCEMENT SHOULD THUS READ AS FOLLOWS:  
BEGIN TEXT: DURING THE DECEMBER 1977 THIRD ROUND  
OF TALKS IN PARIS ON NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS  
BETWEEN THE U.S. AND THE SRV, THE VIETNAMESE ACCEPTED  
THE U.S. INVITATION TO SEND A TEAM FROM THEIR OFFICE  
RESPONSIBLE FOR MIA'S AND THE RECOVERY OF REMAINS TO  
VISIT THE U.S. CENTRAL IDENTIFICATION LABORATORY AND  
JOINT CASUALTY RESOLUTION CENTER IN HAWAII. THIS  
VISIT WILL TAKE PLACE DURING THE PERIOD JULY 10-14.  
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THE PRECISE TIMING FOR THE VISIT, AS WELL AS THE NAMES  
OF THE VIETNAMESE AND AMERICAN EXPERTS WHO WILL TAKE  
PART, WILL BE ANNOUNCED LATER. END TEXT.

3. LAM EXPLAINED THAT HANOI DESIRED THIS DELETION  
SO THAT "THERE WOULD BE NO MISUNDERSTANDING OR  
SPECULATION." HE ASKED FOR CONFIRMATION ASAP THAT

TEXT OF ANNOUNCEMENT WOULD READ AS HANOI WISHED.

4. EMBOFF ASKED LAM ABOUT OTHER POINTS MENTIONED IN  
REFTEL. LAM SAID ONLY THAT NAMES OF PARTICIPANTS IN  
THE VISIT WOULD BE COMMUNICATED IN A FEW DAYS, AFTER  
WHICH IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO DISCUSS MODALITIES OF  
THEIR TRAVEL TO HONOLULU.

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